

STATE FOREST HEADQUATERS OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS & HOFF PLOT NO.GD-2/12, ARANYA BHAWAN,CHANDRASEKHARPUR BHUBANESWAR-751023

Memo No.

1272

/9F(Rail) 302/2023

Dated, Bhubaneswar, the

January, 2023

To

The FD-STR-cum-Regional Chief Conservator of Forests Baripada Circle

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 12.202 ha of forest land for Single line broad-gauge Railway connectivity from Amarda road Station to Subarnarekha port site in the district of Balasore coming under the jurisdiction of Balasore (WL) Division by M/s Subarnarekha Port Pvt. Ltd (SPPL) (Proposal No.FP/OR/Rail/155820/2022, State Sl No.OR-043/2022 dated 03.06.2022)

Ref: Your Memo No.5216 dated 29.12.2022.

In inviting reference to your aforesaid memo on the captioned subject, I am directed to inform you that during scrutiny of the above diversion proposal submitted the following discrepancies have been noticed.

- 1. Sanction order / approval order of this project by the Port Authority concerned has not been furnished.
- 2. The documents and maps relating to this proposal with the scheduled forms and certificates are not as per check list.
- 3. In Part-II furnished by the DFO, Balasore (WL) Division though the type of forest land proposed to be diverted has been shown to be of Eco-Value Class-III but the density of vegetation has been furnished as Nil, though total 152 nos. of trees have been enumerated over the proposed forest land to be diverted. Similarly, in Site Inspection report the DFO, Balasore (WL) Division at Serial No.12 (Condition of vegetation and type of forest in applied area), the DFO has mentioned about enumeration of 152 nos. of trees over the forest kisam land. Also he has observed some bushy forest at different patches which needs clarification / rectification.
- **4.** Being a linear project, the UA has not furnished total length and width of the proposed railway connectivity passing through forest area and non-forest area separately.
- 5. Tree enumeration done over non-forest land (467 nos.) has not been shown at SL No.15 of Site Inspection report of DFO, Balasore (WL) Division. Further, the User Agency has not furnished the abstract of no. of trees enumerated over non-forest Govt. land and non-forest Pvt. land separately.

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- 6. Forest land Involvement of total forest land for this project is 12.202 ha. The UA has not furnished the abstract of forest land Tahasil and village wise separately with involvement of revenue forest land, DLC forest land and Sabik forest land duly authenticated both by the DFO & Tahasildar concerned.
- 7. Non-forest land Involvement of total non-forest land for this project is 122.269 ha. The UA has not furnished the abstract of non-forest Govt. and Non-forest Pvt. land (Tahasil and village wise) separately duly authenticated both by the DFO & Tahasildar concerned.
- 8. The approved engineering drawing showing the formation top width of the embankment has been planned to be 7.85 mtr for single track with a side slope of 2:1 of 6 mtr in height with the rail infrastructure of broad gauge standard of 5'.6" (1676 mm) to be furnished with the DP.
- 9. Regarding construction of new rail connectivity from Amarda road station to Subarnarekha port site over 43 Km route length (including a merry-go-round rail alignment inside the port), the UA has not furnished the alternative routes surveyed over the Topo map of scale 1:50,000.

In view of the above, the diversion proposal in triplicate are returned herewith for necessary compliance at your end and resubmission of the same to this office at the earliest for taking further necessary action at this end.

Encl: DP in 3 sets

Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. 1273 /Dt. 20.01.2023

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Balasore (WL) Forest Division for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No.5217 dated 29.12.2022 of the FD-STR-cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle to his address.

Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. 1274 /Dt. 20-01-2023

Copy forwarded to the Authorised Signatory, Subarnarekha Port Pvt. Ltd, DCB-917, 9th Floor, DLF Cybercity, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar, Odisha-751024 for information and necessaary action with reference to Memo No.5218 dated 29.12.2022 of the FD-STR-cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle to his address.

Conservator of Forests (Nodal)